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Letter from Antoinette Rotan Peterson, New York,  
New York, to Anne Whitney, Boston,  
Massachusetts, 1909 December 18

Antoinette Rotan Peterson

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I am now returning to you  
in accordance with my  
promise, though truly I  
hate to see any writing  
of yours destroyed.

Dr. Peterson suggested that  
you might be willing to  
blot out the passages  
you do not like, and  
let me have the letters back  
again. This is what I  
should most wish unless  
you are unalterably opposed  
to it. You don't know

[Dec. 18, 1909]

4 WEST FIFTIETH STREET.

My very dear Miss Whitney

Some days ago  
I went carefully through all  
your letters to me. No one of  
which has ever been lost?  
It was midnight when I  
finished and since then I've  
let- found one moment in  
which to sit down at my  
desk and tell you that in  
only four of them do I  
find any mention of our  
friends' affairs. These four



what a pleasure it was to read  
them all over again in sequence -  
You have given me a very precious  
possession in your letters -

I reached home on Monday  
night in a deluge of rain, an hour  
late - but the time was beguiled  
with many happy recollections  
and did not seem long - Four  
crowded days have followed wherein  
I have contrived to install a new

housekeeper, a new cook, entertain a  
large medical society for Dr. Peterson  
with a late supper, and see my  
sister through her New York performance  
of the Media yesterday afternoon -  
She and her husband and brother  
were staying with us of course and  
you must figure to yourself  
how anxious we were when I tell you  
that she was suffering with neuralgia  
and a bad carbuncle which had  
to be lanced, and which had really  
poisoned her for the moment!